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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

**Dr. Paddy Jim BAGGOT**

**Serial No.:** 09/499,006

**Filed:** February 4, 2000

**For:** TREATMENT OF CHROMOSOMAL  
ABNORMALITIES IN FETUSES  
THROUGH A COMPREHENSIVE  
METABOLIC ANALYSIS OF AMNIOTIC  
FLUID

**Group Art Unit:** 1634

**Examiner:** Diana B. Johannsen

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO ACCOMPANY RCE**

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Sir:

The following amendments address the § 112 issue that was raised in the final office action in the parent case.

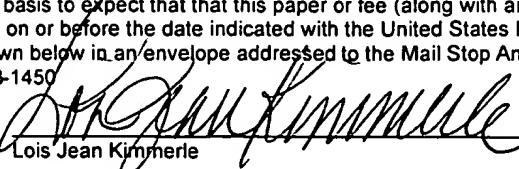
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